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DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES

DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

333 W. Nye Lane, Room 138
Carson City, Nevada 89706

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Notice of Proposed Action

The Administrator of the Division of Environmental Protection gives notice that an application for the renewal of **Water Pollution Control Permit (WPCP) NEV94113** for the **Coyote Mine** has been properly filed with the Division of Environmental Protection in Carson City. The applicant for the permit renewal is:

Coyote Mines, Inc.
Box 9 Coyote Road
HWY US-95 North
Searchlight, NV 89406
Coyote Mines, Inc.

The facility is located in Clark County, within Sections 14, 15, 22, and 23 of Township 28S, Range 63E, Mount Diablo Baseline and Meridian (MDB&M), approximately 1.5 miles north of the town of Searchlight, Nevada. The facility utilizes both physical and chemical processes to recover gold and silver from mined and stockpiled material. Coyote Mine consists of a shallow pit and several historic stockpiles, a gravity concentration circuit, a heap leach cyanidation pad, pregnant solution pond, process recovery facility, waste rock disposal, and tailings impoundment areas. Permitted ore throughput is limited to 18,250 tons annually.

The Administrator is constrained to issue a renewal of the Water Pollution Control Permit or to deny the application. The Administrator has made the tentative determination to issue this permit renewal.

Persons wishing to comment upon the proposed renewal permit, to recommend terms and conditions for consideration of incorporation into the renewal permit, or who request a public hearing pursuant to the Nevada Administrative Code, NAC Chapter 445A, must

submit their comments, objections, or requests no later than 5:00 PM on the 30th day following the date of publication of this notice **(by December 3, 2004)** to:

Division of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Mining Regulation and Reclamation
Capitol Complex
Attn: Rob Kuczynski, P.E.
333 W. Nye Lane, Room 138
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All comments or objections received during the public notice period will be considered in the final determination regarding this permit. If the Division determines written comments or requests indicate a significant degree of public interest in this matter, the Administrator shall schedule a public hearing in accordance with the requirements of NAC 445A.405.

The permit and all renewal application documents are on file at the Division and are available for public inspection and copying pursuant to NRS 445A.665. For more information, contact Rob Kuczynski, at (775) 687-9441, toll free in Nevada (800) 992-0900, extension 4670, or visit our website at <http://ndep.nv.gov/bmrr/bmrr01.html>.